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Very Strictly Confidential,

Dear Comrade –

I will not write you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], But just [illegible] How [illegible], I am [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], But my arm [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Do [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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In case they come should
not [illegible] [illegible] — the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] I want [illegible]
to do is [illegible] to [illegible] a
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. So I might in a
few weeks decide the [illegible]
[illegible] first of May [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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It might also mean that I
would push the Company
[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
the other things [illegible] for
all it is worth.
If I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
it would be for the smaller
amount I would probably
get [illegible] [illegible]

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P.S.
If you can use the Big telegraph "Yes" at my expense.

Sept. 8th 1908

D.A.F. — For I'm sick & worried too,

Dear Burdette,

If you will make it $500 more you can have it, Figuring Interest, what I've lost & what I've had to borrow on acct of this being tied up there, & all, you realize that I'm not making but very little there, For the figures you 1st named I would not near get $500 or anything like it, But if I'm in trouble & sick & likely to soon be out of employment & have to wait 2 more years for relief, The money & first shipment put it above $2000 not Counting Typewriter Besides you are not figuring any profits for me at all first 14 months, why I dont see any thing ahead for me, I was under an altogether different impression, If I kept my place, & health, I dident expect to ask for assistance, But if I have to be a Partner on a Beggar Basis Ide better let you take it, Ive done all I Could for you, Dug up my last Dollar which I wasent much, But it assisted you then, Now if you Can do this Please arrange

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for me to get the money
at an early date, As I'm
very much worried &
more than ever since
receiving yours,
However, I want you
to have the Biz. & I
want you to own it
all since you expressed
yourself,"
Now if you can use the
Opal why I'll send it at
the Cost price, I will pay
for making up new Deed to
you, your Cousin with love.
David,

Gebest Hotel
CENTRALLY LOCATED
120 EAST MAIN STREET
CHAS. L. GEBEST, PROP.

Madison, Ind., Sept 8th 1908

Dear Burdette:—

I hastily penned you a few lines from Ellis today.

"I beleive I incorporated in my letter to you that if we traded I would pay for making the deed. But since we have the correct form all that would be required would be for me to fill in a form to you just like Ellis did to us jointly.

While I feel ~~that~~ we could carry on a partnership biz. without little if any friction. Yet since you have made the proposal to buy & have the money to buy with why I see no reason

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why? you should not own it
all with perhaps a few more
weeks effort you will own it
all in fee simple.
However from this Catalogue
you are putting out & having
no other Debts whatever!
& with almost 4000 in Cash
a few days ago, & enough
outstanding bills to pay
all you've had to pay,
Why I do trust you'll try
& pay me so I can use
it to good advantage if
we do trade.
I was thinking that perhaps
I could have rested up this
winter from the Ins. Biz, &
assisted you with the store.
Now Burdette if you want me
to participate just a little

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bit in the profits. Surely you will allow me $3000 for half of what we have, Especially with the biz. fully established &c,

Now you can telegraph me at my expense, If we close ~~the~~ deal, the word "Yes" will signify the meaning at this end, With love to all,

Yours &c, David,

P.S. I have ~~that~~ $10½ Eagle,, If we trade please don't overlook, D.A.G.,

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If I can get over next Sabbath. I can explain to you I feel sure why we have had our last Corresponding. It will all Come out O.K. I guess in next year or so.

Yrs for Success
B.J. Myer.

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[illegible]
28 [illegible]
[illegible], Ore.

[illegible]

D[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

I [illegible] a-

Given [illegible]

[illegible] 3 [illegible]

[illegible] Vez [illegible]

[illegible]

3 [illegible] 2

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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Dear Ernest:

On acct. of the urgent need of a rest need of I am positively compelled whether I care to or not, give up this [illegible] which my own [illegible] a little [illegible] & [illegible] the work is [illegible] and I can't expose my self to the outdoor work which is so heavy & severe any further, [illegible] get better well, [illegible] you or order you later on I should I get well care to give you work in the office. The clerk had your [illegible] it

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[illegible]. I could have arranged
with Mr [illegible] by
[illegible] [illegible] ask the
[illegible] for him not to
have taken [illegible] [illegible]
until [illegible] clear. [illegible]
know I promised [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] &
I will make my promise
as good as if [illegible] be
made. I hate to give up
my position. [illegible] I cannot
Control "fate" [illegible] [illegible], I
will be [illegible] in a [illegible] time,
Just let matters rest & if I

man on that [illegible]
write to notify you
& am in the [illegible]
not agreeable situation
here.

As I am in [illegible]
may be write. Please
pardon your [illegible]
Love to [illegible]
[illegible].

Yours as ever.

Paul.

St. Louis, Sep. 19 1908 No. 392

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Pay to the order of D. A. Sutherland $750 00/100

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SEP 24 1[illegible]
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Confidential

Dear Burdette: If youll mail me 2 checks one for $2000, payable when it arrives & one for $500 which I can deposit & draw upon in course of perhaps one month, or if possible I'll leave it longer, why you can have it. This is strictly at your own price. I need the money badly else I would not sell—

(over)

you not take special interest in this ,

our hands?

I send my best regards.

Very truly yo

Please ~~start~~
the check today
for $2000. for I
will appreciate same,
& the $500 check I'll
treat you right.
Here's Success to
you—
It's all up to you—
& Success to you
David,